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Student artwork on display at Carnegie Museum

The Carnegie Museum has once again partnered with Crawfordsville schools to host the annual Crawfordsville Schools Art Extravaganza. This partnership began in 2012 and has highlighted student artwork each year with the exception of 2020.

The corporation-wide show features art work from students in Kindergarten through high school seniors.

A large opening reception took place on November 14th for parents and students to cel-



CCSC art teachers left to right: Dana Garvin, Nicholson, Laurie Vellner, CMS, Hannah Lafever, Hoover, Lexy Nickle, Hose, Amanda Ellenberger, CHS, Charissa Ajayi, CHS.

ebate their artwork on display. Refreshments were provided by the Chartwell's Food Service department for all who came.

The K-5 artwork will be on display for the month of December. CMS and CHS will end on Dec. 14.

Nicholson accepts award at ceremony

Nicholson Elementary has recently received the Indiana Gold Star School Counseling Award for their efforts in the Carrying the Torch to Student Success program.

Accepting the award was Mrs. Scheidler, right, former Nicholson Elementary Counselor and current CHS Counselor, and Ms. Pool, current Nicholson Counselor.

The award was presented at the Indiana School Counselors Fall Conference in Indianapolis.

Only 30 schools in the state of Indiana received this recognition.



Left photo: Montgomery County Community Foundation CEO Kelly Taylor, left, presents a check to CMS nurse Amy Bales, middle, and CHS nurse Lacey Melevage, right, with a check for \$10,000 to support the health and wellness department. Right: Cheryl Keim, left, presents a check to Kathy Tobias for the Crawfordsville Adult Resource Academy.

MCCF awards grants to CCSC departments

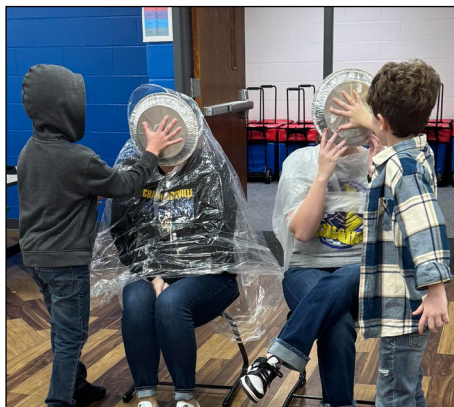
Montgomery County Community Foundation awarded grants to 17 different organizations to finish up their 2024 giving. The total given for this cycle was \$327,120 bring the grand total donated to Montgomery County to more than \$2 million dollars!

CCSC schools benefited from the latest cycle of grants specifically for the health and wellness department. CCSC received \$10,000 to support the health and welfare of their students. These funds will be administered by the school nurses (K-12) to assist

students with dental, vision, medial, and mental health needs as well as for drug testing supplies, Epi Pens, Rx medication, and other necessary items.

In addition, the Crawfordsville Adult Resource Academy (CARA) which helps adults further their education and build career skills, received a grant of \$9,500 to purchase state-mandated test materials as well as a new Promethean Activ Panel Smart-board.

Nicholson fundraiser a messy, big hit for students



Nicholson Elementary recently held a fundraiser to raise money to purchase indoor recess activities. Students could purchase a vote for a dollar to choose a staff member they wanted to see get a pie in the face!

Students and staff raised more than \$480!

Staff members who “won” the pie in the face were Dr. Boaz, Ms. Pool, Mrs. Shadle, and Mrs. Patton.



Hoover collects 150+ cans

Hoover Elementary's Student Council hosted a canned food drive in November and exceeded their goal of 150 cans!

Emma Jones, standing, and Zoe Girvan are helping to pack up all of the items to take over to the local FISH Food Pantry.



Hose gets a special taste from Discovery Kitchen

In November, Chartwells Dietitian Kayla Jewell hosted a Discovery Kitchen, serving homemade whole grain pumpkin bars to Hose students. This provided an opportunity for students to try something seasonal and unique that is not normally on the school lunch menu. Miss Jewell was able to sneak in nutrition education, going table to table, teaching students fun facts surrounding pumpkins, whole grains, and more.



Senior class wins Homecoming competition, bragging rights

During CHS Homecoming this year a competition between each class took place with the winning class receiving t-shirts and additional bragging rights.

Each day there were a variety of ways to

earn points including dressing up on spirit days, attending sports events, and winning various pep session competitions.

The senior class came out victorious and currently hold possession of the CHS Spirit



Megaphone which is on display at the school with the Senior Class Tag hanging on it.

The next competition will take place during the week of Snowcoming!



Willson Preschool Academy collects winter items

Willson Preschool Academy held a hat and mitten drive and collected 115 hats and 231 pairs of gloves. These hats, mittens, and gloves will be donated to local charities for families in need.

Left photo is Jessica Ryker, left, Sara Ryker, and Willson Preschool Director, Heidi Plunkett with the large collection of items. Sara and her mom, Jessica, worked with Benchmark Services to collect a donation of mittens for the school.

Some of the mittens were used to decorate the Willson Pre-

school Academy Christmas Tree at this year's Festival of Trees. This year's theme for the Christmas tree is from the story, "The Mitten" by Jan Brett. Please stop by to visit the Festival of Trees at the Masonic Cornerstone and Event Center

Pictured in the photo on the right is Miss Kayla, Miss Leanna, Miss Jacquie, and Mr. Joey decorating the tree with the students' ornaments.



Hoover wraps up season

Hoover Elementary fifth grade girls have been working hard during this year's basketball season.



Congratulations to these CMS game changers!

CMS Principal Mrs. Haas is proud to recognize the students and staff of CMS for "Changing the Game" during the month of November. These winners demonstrated the core values of being safe, kind, responsible, and respectful.



Top photos: CMS musical production of "Descendants The Musical." Bottom photos: CHS production of "Play On!"



Top-notch performances for CMS, CHS productions

Both the high school and middle school performed their fall productions for friends, family, and community members. This year's musical at CMS was "The Descendants" and the high school fall play was "Play On."

Each received rave reviews on their hard work and great performances.

Fall sports banquet honors student-athletes

Crawfordsville High School recently had its fall athletic sports banquet to celebrate the many achievements and accomplishments of CHS fall athletes. Athletes and their families began with desserts provided by Crawfordsville Food Service in the commons areas and then moved into the auditorium for the program.

CHS Athletic Director, Bryce Barton, welcomed everyone to the banquet and began with praise for the athlete's hard work that started in June during the summer weights, conditioning, and team workouts. Barton thanked parents for their support and for parents who devoted time to planning groups, team meal organization, and showing up in the stands.

"I know that sometimes it cannot always be easy to sit there in the stands and watch your kids compete. Love them and support them, win or lose, playing well or playing below their standards. Memories are being made, friendships are being established, and your student athletes are learning life lessons that will make them stronger," Barton said.

This fall there were two conference titles, a sectional title, and six of eight county championship titles.

After thanking the head coaches, assistant coaches, and athletic trainers, Doug Horton and Ally Wemer, the award presentation followed.

First time Letter-Winners are as follows:



Girls Golf: Alexis Shelton, Maddie Lewellen, Bella Jones, Serenity Wright; **Boys Tennis;** CC Cox and Keira Toomey, Managers; **Girls Cross Country:** Paige Johnson and Isabel Gerdes; **Boys Soccer:** Dario Huesca, Dane Justus, Elmer Perez, Hoe Torres, Carlos Gutierrez; **Girls Soccer:** Alea Seward and Dayanara Fernandez; **Volleyball:** Alexis Ratcliff, Graeme Mason; **Football:** Noah Marlar, Ledger Lyons, Blayne Willhite, Braeden Schlote, Diego Velasco Valencia, Chris Diaz, Collin Simpson, Hector Huesca, Thomas Lee, Emma Whiles-Gerold

Conference/Sectional Championship Team Patches:

Boys Cross Country- Hutton Haas, Max Brumett, Jantzen Thayer, Cole Capper, Colten Custer, Alex Sanchez, Josh Inskeep

Boys Tennis- Wyatt Motz, Rowan Gambrel, Nolan Watt, Jude Hutchison, Jude

Coursey, Ian Hurt, Henry Bannon

Mental Attitude Winners
Girls Golf- Maddie Lewellen

Boys Tennis- Jude Hutchison

Girls Cross Country- Paige Johnson

Boys Cross Country- Alex Sanchez

Boys Soccer- Colten Custer

Girls Soccer- Laila Torres

Volleyball- Ellie Walker Varsity, Sydney Elizondo JV

Football - Cohen McClamroch

First & Second Team All-Conference (Bold is 1st Team, regular font is 2nd team)

Girls Golf- Madisyn Posthauer

Boys Tennis- Rowan Gambrel, Wyatt Motz, Jude Coursey, Jude Hutchison, Henry Bannon, Nolan Watt, and Ian Hurt

Girls Cross Country-

Katherine Novak, Remy Swinford, & Caroline Novak

Boys Cross Country- Hutton Haas, Josh Inskeep, Jantzen Thayer, Max Brumett, & Colten Custer

Boys Soccer- Alec Saidian, Elmer Perez, David Munoz, Colten Custer

Girls Soccer- Caroline Novak, Zari Freeze, Riley Gardner, Alea Seward, Madison Martin, Laila Torres

Volleyball- Reese Price & Claire Peacock

Football- Keegan Cokel & Daniel Surface, Mason McCarty & Braeden Hites

All-State & Honorable Mentions

Volleyball- Raley Norman, Katy Grace Whitecotton, Emma Buser, Ellie Walker, & Lily Hummel Academic All-State

Cross Country- Max Brumett Academic All-State

Girls Soccer- Caedence Brown, Zari Freeze, Riley Gardner, Caroline Novak Academic All-State